

XXVII.—*Description of a new Snake from Yunnan.*

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Tropidonotus johannis.

Eye rather small. Rostral not quite twice as broad as deep, just visible from above; internasals as long as broad, nearly as long as the præfrontals, much narrowed in front; frontal once and one-third to once and a half as long as broad, as long as its distance from the end of the snout, much shorter than the parietals; loreal as long as deep or a little longer than deep; one or two præ- and three or four post-oculars; temporals 2+1 or 2+2; eight upper labials, third, fourth, and fifth entering the eye; four or five lower labials in contact with the anterior chin-shields, which are shorter than the posterior. Scales in 19 rows, dorsals feebly or faintly keeled, laterals smooth. Ventrals 165–170; anal divided; subcaudals 85–89. Olive-brown above, with more or less distinct darker and lighter spots, the latter forming a lateral series or an ill-defined lateral streak; a curved yellowish streak may be present on each side of the nape; sutures between the labials blackish; ventrals and subcaudals yellow, with the ends olive-grey and bearing large black spots forming a lateral series.

Total length 910 mm.; tail 210.

Three specimens from Yunnan fu, received from the Rev. John Graham.

Allied to *T. modestus*, Gthr., and *T. pleurotenia*, Blgr.

The three species may be distinguished by the following characters:—

	Upper labials.	Ventrals.	Subcaudals.
<i>T. modestus</i>	9	154–168	96–122
<i>T. johannis</i>	8	165–170	85–89
<i>T. pleurotenia</i>	8	148	66

XXVIII.—*On some new Species and Subspecies of Birds from Upper Burma.* By Major H. H. HARRINGTON.

DURING two months' leave spent in making a collecting-trip in the Bhamo Hills, N.E. Burma, I was fortunate enough to procure examples of many rare birds and their eggs, including some Chinese species, which had not previously been